

PRICE THREEPENOE.

Sydney.—Attention is invited to a notice in the GOVERNMENT GAZETTE, calling for TENDERS for covering in the Tank Stream, between Hunter and Bridge streets, Sydney. Tenders will be received at the Office of Public Works, up to 12 o'clock on TUESDAY, 13 March, and must be endorsed "Tender for Covering Tank Stream."

Plan, specification, and form of tender, may be seen, and further particulars obtained, at the Colonial Architect's Office, Hyde Park.

14 receiving TENDERS for erecting a LIGHTHOUSE and other Buildings, at King's Island, is extended to the 21st of the 21st MARCH.

C. M. MAXWELL,
Chairman of the Hobart Town Marine Board
Hobart Town, 21st February, 1860.

TO BUILDERS.—TENDERS are invited for the several works required in the erection and completion of the MASONIC HALL, viz. :—

- 1st, Masonry and Excavation
- 2nd, Brickwork
- 3rd, Plastering

not mentioned above.

Contractors desiring to tender for the whole of the works in one sum will be at liberty to do so.

Plans and specifications may be seen on application to Mr. G. ALLEN MANSFIELD, architect, 178, Pitt-street, to whom sealed tenders endorsed "Tender for Mason Hall," are to be delivered, on or before noon of THURSDAY, the 15th of March.

N.B. The directors do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any tender.

TO BUILDERS AND CONTRACTORS.—TENDERS are invited for re-building the front of a dwelling

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.—J. G. HANKE is respectfully to inform the inhabitants of Sydney, Woolloomooloo, and suburbs, that he intends opening a little T shop, situate, 558, George-street, Sydney (exactly opposite the cathedral), on SATURDAY next, March 3, with a new and well-selected stock of Groceries, Provision, Olman's Stores, &c., &c.

Mark the address—538, George-street, Sydney, exact opposite the Cathedral.
February 28.

HANKS AND COMPANY'S Incomparable concentrated **TURKEY COFFEE**.—Coffee is an invaluable, invigorating, and highly nutritious article of consumption; to obtain which, however, in its true essence ought to be a primary consideration.

Hanks and Company have a peculiar method of cleansing and roasting, a process invaluable and known only to the select few. Its grand secret is the concentration of its oil

THE UNDERSIGNED have just received a shipment of the most elegant **PLATED ARTICLES** that have ever arrived in the colony, and to which they invite the attention of the public. Besides the usual objects of every day use there will be found fish, eating-knives and

WHEELER and WILSON'S CELEBRATED SEWING MACHINES.—These machines combine all the improvements that have been patented for sewing machines, and are universally admitted to be the best machines for family sewing, and for manufacturers generally.

One thousand stitches per minute are readily made which would form more than a yard of seam, with stitch of medium length.

The subscriber has been appointed by the manufacturer, their sole agent for Australia, and the machines may be seen in operation, and are for SALE, at the show room 110, Collins-street East, second door from Russell-street Melbourne.

A. W. STEVENS, manufacturer's sole agent.

CROWLEY RIVER GOLD-FIELDS.—ON SALE.

Miners' American pegged boots
 Ditto American pegged and nailed boots
 Ditto hobnailed watertights
 Ditto rough sprigged watertights
 Ditto stout kip wellingtons
 Ditto stout kip bluchers
 Ditto best grain napoleons
 Ditto best enamelled napoleons. Also,
 Miners' American rubber boots, guaranteed waterproof.
 The above can be had in any quantities; also, every
 other article in the boot and shoe trade.

JAMES VICKERY, 375, George-street

Long and short handle shovels
Picks and handles
Prospecting pans
Camp-kettles and pannikins
Sheath knives and belts
Gold bags
C. F. EDWARDS, 598 and 600, George-street South.

HOLMES' STEAM BISCUIT MANUFACTORY
King-street East, Sydney.
The undersigned feels much pleasure in informing merchants, shipowners, captains, storekeepers, gold-diggers &c. that he has now ready and working the most complete

fresh baked
Cabin biscuits
Navy ditto
Ship ditto
Fancy ditto, of various kinds.
Made from the best materials and at the low
price.

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. Orders to any extent promptly supplied.

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ON YELLOW metal and nails, sheet zinc

Spinning wire, necks and angles
 Spinning powder and patent safety tape fuse
 Lined oil, cordage, oakum
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 Paper bags, brown, colored, and printing paper
 Wetherston's confectiary, Dnnlop and Wills cheese
 Soda crystals, bath bricks, talpoca
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 Scotch whisky, dark brandy
 1-horse-power engine, ruling machine.

CAIRD, PATERSON, and CO

H O R S A L E, ex Benjamin Howard

White and brown sugar
Japanese trays
Finest lamp oil, in tins of 2½ gallons
Ginger and mixed preserves.
A. TANGE and CO., Wynyard-square

FOR SALE, at the Stores of the Undersigned
Wool-bagging, 27 and 28 inch
Feaning twine and roping
Feast's oilmen's stores, of all descriptions
Corks, fine wines, pints and quarts
Dixon and Son's superior Sheffield plated goods &c
cutlery. **LOTTE and LARACH**

W make from one pair to a thousand pairs of galvanized **COLONIAL BOOTS** fit for diggers. **T. HENLY**, boot manufacturer, Railway Bridge, Sydney.

CHEAP stationery Establishment. — Wholesale Prices of Stationery and Printing at very low prices. **POPE**, 9, King-street.

ON SALE, at **PARTIDIGGS** Stores — Galvanized corrugated iron tanks for preserving rain water; ditto guttering, piping, tiles, corrugated iron, single and double action suction and force pumps. Bathurst-st. East.

LAIDIES and Children's Underclothing, at reduced prices.

SHELL Petcock Wigs, Tups, and Steel Petticoats,
Mrs. MAY'S 351 George-street, opposite Post Office.
LESUMM, HOUR, and SUNDAY AT HOME
volumes for 1889. ADDISON, 413. George-street.
BLASTING POWDER, blasting Powder, Pellets,
Fuzes, Wedges, &c. THOMAS JENNINGS, iron-
monger, 204, Lower George-street.
HORSES.—for SALE, a thorough good lady
HACKNEY, well-bred, and perfectly quiet; also
a boy's PONY, to be seen at Mr. PLATMAN'S, Live
Stables, King and Elizabeth streets.

[By Electric Telegraph.]
SNOWY RIVER DIGGINGS.
[FROM A CORRESPONDENT.]
Gundagai, Thursday.
MR. KENNEDY, storekeeper at Adelong, has just returned, having left the Snowy River

Sunday, February 26. He tells me that Mr. Yates, of the Bank of New South Wales, arrived on Saturday night, to purchase gold, and that very large amounts were in the hands of the diggers. Wages were the same as last reported, the lowest to be obtained being at £

The river claims were still yielding very largely.

deeper, were paying very well. Surface digging yielding large returns to several, but, as on every other gold-field, numbers were not doing much.

On the whole, everything is very good. Several large nuggets have been found, and plenty of them small.

The presence of Chief Gold Commissioner Cloete, who is on the road, was anxiously looked for by the diggers. Hundreds daily are arriving, and preparations are now being made by several to winter on the fields. The weather remains fine. The general impression is that

The Twofold Bay Company's flocks leave the neighbouring plains on 15th April. Everyone speaks in glowing terms of the Snowy River gold-field. The want of communication be-

ABSTRACT OF SALES BY AUCTION THIS DAY.
MESSES. BURT AND CO—At their Bazaar, at 11 o'clock.
 Horses, B. carts, Gigs, Trucks, Drays, &c.
MR. G. F. BAKER.—On the premises of Mr. Cowell, Globe, at

MESSES. FRITH AND PAYTEN.—At their Rooms, at 11 o'clock, Steel Shovels, Iron Buckets, Corn Sacks, Woolpacks, Sacking Twine, Gunny Bags, Coschmakers' Materials, Far-thing Ironmongery.

MESSES. CHATTO AND HUGHES.—At their Rooms, at 11 o'clock, Boots and Shoes, damaged and sound; at 12 o'clock, Patent Leather.

MESSRS. W. DEAN AND CO.—At their Rooms, at half-past 10 o'clock, Damaged Drapery; at 11 o'clock, General Drapery, Fancy Goods, Shops, &c.

MR. JOHN G. COHEN.—At his Rooms, at 11 o'clock, Panel Doors, Window Shades, Brushware, Bath Bricks, Oils, Colours, Painters' Materials, Fancy Soap, &c.

MESSRS. PEEK AND FOTHERINGHAM.—At the Stores of Messrs. Campbell and Co., Campbell's Wharf, at 11 o'clock, Soda Crystals, Outmeal, Flour, Sugar, Blue, Litharge.

MESSRS. J. D. MATHIAS AND SONS.—At their Rooms, at 11 o'clock, General Drapery, Fancy Goods, Shops, &c.

MR. J. B. DAVIS.—At their *fringed stores*, at 11 o'clock, Wool, Sheepskins, Hides, Tallow; at half-past 11, Meats, Beef, Bacon and Cheese.
MESSES. FRITCHARD AND WILLIAMS.—At their Mart and Yards, Sunex-street, at 12 o'clock, Hay, Maize, Bran, Flour, Barley, Honey, Tobacco; at a quarter-past 12, Pigs, Calves, &c.; at the Corporation Wharf, at 1 o'clock, Beef and Mutton.
MESSES. CHAS. MOORE AND CO.—At their Rooms, at 11 o'clock, Drapery, Silks, Scotch and Manchester Goods; at 12 o'clock, Perfumery.
MESSES. BROWN AND WATKINS.—At their Rooms, at 11 o'clock, Drapery, Silks, Scotch and Manchester Goods; at 12 o'clock, Perfumery.

MESSES. RICHARDSON AND WRENCH.—At their Rooms, at 11 o'clock, Shares in the Tilawarra Steam Company; Golden Fleece Inn, Shop, and Dwelling-house adjoining Castlereagh-street; Shops and Dwelling-houses in Cumberland-street; Cottage and Garden, Waterview-street, Balmain; House and Cottage, Ann-street, Surry Hills.

MESSES. ALEXANDER MOORE AND CO.—At their Mart, at 11 o'clock, Boots, Cutlery, Watches, Work-boxes.

MR. THOMAS DAWSON.—At the Railway Terminus, at 10 o'clock, Calves, Roasters, Eggs of Butter, Young Poultry.

MUNICIPALITY OF THE GLIERE—The quarterly meeting of this municipality took place to-day, at noon. Present: Mr. George W. Allen in the chair. Members—Councillors Blacket, Reilly, Jarrell, Brown, and Thornley. The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. The Council clerk reported that he had communicated to Mr. Mann the resolution of the Council.

having reference to a nuisance existing on his (Mr. Mann's) premises. The surveyor sent in a report of the completion of the repairs in the Glebe Road, opposite Dr. Puall's house, and the cost thereof. Ordered to be referred to the Finance Committee. The chairman reported to the Council the result of his interview with the Hon. the Minister for Public Works, relative to the overflow of the surface water from the Parramatta Road, to the effect that the necessary drainage would be attended to forthwith by the Government. The Council clerk reported to the Council, that he had communicated to the Town Clerk of the Sydney Corporation

tion, the resolution of this Council, having reference to an application for a water supply, made in October last, to which no reply had been sent. The Council clerk reported that in the case of thirty-four appeals against assessments in Outer Globe Ward, heard at Petty Sessions on February 25th, sixteen assessments were confirmed, and eighteen slightly reduced. In the case of forty-nine appeals against assessments in Bishopthorpe Ward, twelve assessments were confirmed, and thirty-seven assessments slightly reduced. In the case of an appeal against the assessment of the Eastgate Hotel, the Council clerk reported that the Council had decided to confirm the assessment.

It was moved by Mr. Baskett and seconded—that the sum of \$240 be appropriated for Mr. Roe, in liquidation of his claim for assessing the Municipality. Upon which Mr. Brown moved, as an amendment, seconded by Mr. Jarrett, that the matter be postponed until after the appeals have been heard. Amendment carried. Mr. Brown's motion relative to the Council clerk receiving all rates due to this Council on the present assessment.

was postponed until the next meeting. It was moved by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Blacket—That the surveyor (or other competent person) be instructed to ascertain the situation and extent of all the water reserves (if any), within the boundary of this Municipality, and to report to this Council as soon as possible. Carried. It was moved by Mr. Jarrett, and seconded by Mr. Reilly—That the Surveyor be instructed at his earliest convenience, to prepare an estimate of the probable cost of forming the roads and paths, in Norton and Close streets. Carried. It was moved by Mr. Jarrett, seconded by Mr. Reilly—That the Surveyor be instructed

at his earliest convenience, to prepare an estimate of the probable cost of extracting the stumps in Derwent-street and Derby-place, and forming the roads and paths from Derby-place to Ilford-street. Carried. Mr. Bently's motion, having reference to the rescinding of the vote of the Council, giving assent to the annexation of that piece of land lying North-east of Bay-street, was postponed until the next meeting. It was moved by Mr. Bently, and seconded by Mr. Jarrett—That M. Korn and Mr. Jarrett be added to the Improvement Committee, and that the said committee consist of six members.

instead of four. **Negative.** It was moved by Mr. Treasurer, and seconded by Mr. Brown—that the rate to be levied on the present assessment for the municipality shall be one shilling in the pound, one-half thereof to be payable within thirty days after the services of the notices, and the remainder on or before the 30th of June next. **Carried.** The Council rose at one o'clock p.m.

WATERLEY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.—The usual weekly meeting of this Council was held in the Council Chambers, on Tuesday, 21st November. Present: the Chairman, Mr. Connelley, Birm.

Brown, Watkins, Joseph, Vickery, Smith, Newland, and Simmons. Minutes and correspondence: The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed, the following correspondence received and despatched since the last meeting, were also read. 1st. A letter from Mr. Francis O'Brien in reference to gravel being removed from land situate in Waverley street. 2nd. Copies of letters despatched to the proprietors of the Herald and Empire newspapers, suggesting future arrangements for the publication of the proceedings of this Council.

Reports of committees: Councillor Brown, named as the chairman the proceedings of the late committee on the by-laws. Councillor Birrell, the chairman of the special committee appointed to determine the roads first required to be made or repaired within this municipality, brought up and moved the adoption of a report recommending the following works to be immediately proceeded with by Ist. The bill near the Flinstaff Farm, in Waverley-street, to be cut down from seven to ten feet, and made to the corner of Bennett's fence. 2nd. That sundry repairs be effected in Bird-street.

commencing at Bennett's fence, towards the ocean. 3rd. That Birrell-street, from Cowper-street to the end of W. B. Allen's fence, be made and gravelled. 4th. That from the north-west corner of Taylor's fence to Nelson Road, by Nelson Road to Trafalgar Road, thence by that road to the end of Busbey's fence, be made and gravelled. The committee also recommended, after the above necessary improvements are effected, that the following roads be made and gravelled, for the purpose of opening up the several wards of the municipality:—1st. Birrell-street, from the commencement of Bennett-street to Cowper-street. 2nd.

Waverley-street, from the South Head Road to one chain past Mr. Law's house. The report of the committee having been accepted by Councillor Newland, was then adopted. Visitors having been requested to withdraw, the Council resolved itself into committee for the purpose of opening and determining on tenders for gutting down and removing the hill near the Flagstaff Farm in Waverley-street. The following tenders were received by the Council for the performance of the works required:—Mr. Thomas Kierland, £35; Mr. John Proctor, £38; Mr.

Frederick Hibb, Jr., \$37; Mr. Charles Duffey, \$40; Mr. John Madden, \$40. Resolved, "That the tender of Mr. Thomas Kingland, for the works required to be executed, be accepted." The Council having resumed, it was moved by Councillor Birrell, seconded by Councillor Browne, and resolved, "That the resolution agreed to in committee for accepting the tender of Mr. Thomas Kingland be adopted." Notices of motion.—The following notices of motion for consideration at the next meeting were given:—1st. By Councillor Browne: That the Council

apportion three councilors to represent each ward and the municipality in accordance with the vote and decision of the Council, when applying to the Government to be divided. That Councilors Smithers, Newland, and Watkins represent Bondi Ward; Councilors Birrell, Joseph Vickers, and Smith represent Waverley Ward; Councilors Brown, Simmons, and the Chairman, James Vickers represent Nelson Ward." 2nd. By Councilor Birrell, "That a committee be appointed for the purpose of framing, such additional by-laws as are required by this municipality." Councilor

Simmons obtained leave to withdraw a notice of motion given in the last meeting. In pursuance of notice it was then moved by Councillor Birrell, seconded by Councillor Brown, and resolved, "That Councillors Smithers, Smith, and Birrell be appointed the Finance Committee for the ensuing municipal year." It was then moved by Councillor Birrell, seconded by Councillor Smith, and resolved, "That this Council take the necessary proceedings to abolish the nuisance arising from the boiling-down establishment known as 'Dickson's,' situate within this municipality." On the motion of Councillor Birrell, seconded by Councillor Watkins, it

was resolved, "That a vote of censure be passed on Councilman Simons for his continued interruptions, offensive expressions, and disorderly conduct in this Council." The Council then adjourned till 7 o'clock next.

Second Day's Sale, Drapery, Fancy Goods, Woolens, Hosiery, Sticks, &c., &c., at 10 o'clock, No. 1 of Faneuil, and Castle Howard.—We are requested to remind Drapers, Warehousemen, Shipbrokers, and others of Messrs. W. Dean and Co.'s sale this day, at 10 o'clock, to commence at half-past ten o'clock, prompt. See advertisement.

I remain, dear Sir, yours, &c.,
SAMUEL FOX,
Tumut, February 23, 1860.

advisable that the police authorities should initiate special measures to put a stop to this nefarious practice, by issuing directions to all constables on the various roads leading to the diggings to keep a register of the brands and names of the persons who enter the diggings.

reluctance to prosecute, and the consequent comparative impunity of criminals—will be speedily remedied by a court of oyer and terminer in some central locality of this extensive and hitherto neglected

The premises burned are believed to have been insured in the Imperial Fire Office. Since writing the above, I have heard that a fire had been lit in the chimney of the building yesterday, for the purpose of burning papers, in which the fire is believed to have

than an outline, deficient in many important, and in some essential particulars—ergo, omission of provision for leasing by registration of title, for the transfer, surrender and mortgage of leasehold in trust, or for the discharge

ings of each proprietor with his undivided 64ths. Again, a ship may be removed beyond the ken and jurisdiction of the registering authorities to be dealt with as other, it may be foreign, ports.

profession for the occasion, but will rely on the voluntary efforts of those who may feel desirous to aid this benevolent project. As an example the L. Hall of the Exchange has been placed, gratuitously

COUNTRY LAND SALES.

On WEDNESDAY, 14th MARCH, at eleven o'clock.
At the POLICE OFFICE, GRAFTON.

COUNTRY LOTS.—County of Raleigh. Parish of Tarrville.
the right bank of the Clarence River, below and adjoining
south boundary of C. J. Tinsell's 175 acres (Memorial) : Lot
acres.—County of Clarence.

On WEDNESDAY, 14th MARCH, at eleven o'clock.
AT THE POLICE OFFICE, GRAFTON.
COUNTRY LOTS.—County of Raleigh. Parish of Taverville.
the right bank of the Clarence River, below and adjoining
south boundary of C. J. Tindall's 178 acres (Namorah); Lot
acres.—County of Clarence. Parish of Dinahen-Brook: Lot

SPECIAL COUNTRY LOTS.—County of Cook. Parish unna-
On the Bathurst Road, near Mount Victoria, and adjoining
east boundary of J. Thorn's 56 acres: Lot 23, 5 acres 2 roods
perches; lot 24, 5 acres 1 rood 28 perches. Upast price, £1

Town Lots.—County of Cook, Parish of Hartley. Town of Hartley: Lots 25 to 44, 2 rods each; lot 45, 3 rods 27 per acre; lot 46, 2 rods 27 per acre.

SNOWY RIVER GOLD-FIELDS.

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In three and a half days from Sydney—The cheapest and most expeditious mode of reaching the Snowy River is by the CRANES and ROBERTS' celebrated American company, which leave Campbelltown every evening on the arrival of the last train from Sydney, with the mails for Goulburn, Yass, and Queanbeyan; the diggings from the latter place being only 55 miles—a good mail-trail line.
Time from Sydney to Queanbeyan, two days.
Queanbeyan to diggings, 55 miles, one and a half day's walk.

In addition to the above, Messrs. CRANES and ROBERTS intend, on and after MONDAY, 5th March, to run a day coach between Campbelltown, Goulburn, and Queanbeyan, which will leave Campbelltown every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday morning, at 9 o'clock, or on the arrival of the first train from Sydney.

Booking Office, Mr. JOHN HOLMAN'S, White Horse, George-street, Sydney.

NEW ENGLAND HOTEL, Armidale.—JOSEPH SCHOLLS begs to inform travellers and residents in the Northern Districts that the New England Hotel has recently undergone a thorough painting and refurnishing, and gentlemen will find the accommodation equal, if not superior, to any hotel in the district. The beds are clean and free from vermin.

The "cuisine" is under the personal direction of Mrs. Scholls. The stock of wines, spirits, draught and bottled ales and porters are of the most approved brands. The stables are of the most approved kind, with hay, oats, and bran always plentiful, and a good out-trail. Joseph Scholls has lately found in some extra paddocks, which are secure from the water, and are well adapted for travelling stock.

Hay, maize, oats, and bran for SALE. Digging, shepherds, and others will meet with the best of entertainment, at moderate charges.

A good dinner every day at 1 o'clock.
JOSEPH SCHOLLS, New England, Armidale.

TWO SHIPPERS, CAPTAINS, and others.—Messrs. W. WORTHINGTON and J. B. BARNES, Export Merchants, 5, Water-lane, Lower Thames-street, London, E.C., have always on hand, in the London Dock, ready for exportation, the following articles, both in bulk and bottle, and which will be sent by board or parcel, as may be required:—Port and sherry wines, old Scotch whisky, claret, unfermented gin, orange brandy, Scotch whisky, cherry brandy, rum, brandy, and all the best of the above, and Martell's and Hennessy's brandies.

FREDERICK T. SMITH and CO., 41, Coleman-street, Birmingham, England, Manufacturers and Export Ironmongers, supply at manufacturers' prices every description of ironware, including stoves, ranges, and glassware, and all the best of the above, and Martell's and Hennessy's brandies.

MESSRS. THOMPSON, SYMONDS, and CO., have now on hand a large and varied assortment of the following goods:—A lot of black silk, 6d. to 1s. 6d.; 1s. 6d. to 1s. 12s. 6d.; 1s. 12s. 6d. to 1s. 18s. 6d.; 1s. 18s. 6d. to 1s. 24s. 6d.; 1s. 24s. 6d. to 1s. 30s. 6d.; 1s. 30s. 6d. to 1s. 36s. 6d.; 1s. 36s. 6d. to 1s. 42s. 6d.; 1s. 42s. 6d. to 1s. 48s. 6d.; 1s. 48s. 6d. to 1s. 54s. 6d.; 1s. 54s. 6d. to 1s. 60s. 6d.; 1s. 60s. 6d. to 1s. 66s. 6d.; 1s. 66s. 6d. to 1s. 72s. 6d.; 1s. 72s. 6d. to 1s. 78s. 6d.; 1s. 78s. 6d. to 1s. 84s. 6d.; 1s. 84s. 6d. to 1s. 90s. 6d.; 1s. 90s. 6d. to 1s. 96s. 6d.; 1s. 96s. 6d. to 1s. 102s. 6d.; 1s. 102s. 6d. to 1s. 108s. 6d.; 1s. 108s. 6d. to 1s. 114s. 6d.; 1s. 114s. 6d. to 1s. 120s. 6d.; 1s. 120s. 6d. to 1s. 126s. 6d.; 1s. 126s. 6d. to 1s. 132s. 6d.; 1s. 132s. 6d. to 1s. 138s. 6d.; 1s. 138s. 6d. to 1s. 144s. 6d.; 1s. 144s. 6d. to 1s. 150s. 6d.; 1s. 150s. 6d. to 1s. 156s. 6d.; 1s. 156s. 6d. to 1s. 162s. 6d.; 1s. 162s. 6d. to 1s. 168s. 6d.; 1s. 168s. 6d. to 1s. 174s. 6d.; 1s. 174s. 6d. to 1s. 180s. 6d.; 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SNOWY RIVER AND EASTERN GIPPSLAND

The following letter was addressed to the editor of the *Age*, and appeared in that journal on Thursday, 16th February:

Sir—As your paper has always most high-mindedly been the champion of the rights of the covetous of gold-fish in New South Wales, I beg to hand you the following rough statement of the serious prospects of the above district, where at length the Rev. W. B. Clarke's prophecies of its richness have been fully proved. Ever since that learned gentleman's visit of geological inspection to the Snowy River and Twofold Bay country, many of its inhabitants have systematically each year, while their crops were growing, or after harvest and shepherding, worked or prospected particular spots which were more or less indicated by that gentleman as auriferous, and it has been well known at Twofold Bay, Cooma, Bombala, and Pambula ever since 1861 that some of the neighbouring farmers and small stock owners depended somewhat on their stock as their private diggings for a yearly augmentation to their means. In addition to these local periodical workers, a few parties of regular diggers of the more enterprising sort—those who prefer remote, quiet, and moderately paying diggings—largely proportioned to whom are Americans, have also prospected and partly worked the southern part of Maneroo, where the many heads of the Snowy River rise; and I have known of a party who have been continuously for two years on the Delagete River country, on which its native blacks say "there is plenty of gold two days' journey in the scrub from Jackson's station at Delagete Hill." I further know that gold has been found in some of the neighbourhood of the Delagete, and some of the Delagete, where also gold is said to have been found. The sources of the Benam and the Delagete are divided by the same set of ranges. I have been informed that gold has been found on the Genoa River, not far from Captain Stevens' station. The country between Twofold Bay and Alexander's station, on the Genoa (forty miles S.W. of Twofold Bay), is mostly a series of quartzite hills covered with ironbark, and described by the experienced digger friend of mine as closely resembling Tarraregong. This same digger, in 1857, en route to Adelung, from the Genoa River, tried the country nearly up to the newly discovered Gibson's Plains diggings, and he spoke most favourably of the prospects which he had tried. Of Delagete and Bendock he said, "for sluicing and large parties, both these places will answer very well—the gold is of a very good quality, and in large quantities."

Now, as Gibson's Plains cannot be worked for four or five of the winter months, owing to the snow, diggers could not do better, in parties, than to try the tributaries of the Snowy River, down of the high ground, where snow is rarely and where the finest winter climates is to be found. (The Alps are to be located in the same quarter, at Nimblebell, from the same cause of good winter weather.) If any of the above districts are to be worked, the main branches of the Snowy River, down of the high ground, where snow is rarely and where the finest winter climates is to be found. (The Alps are to be located in the same quarter, at Nimblebell, from the same cause of good winter weather.)

I am convinced, from information gathered at and near Twofold Bay during the last seven years, that the higher or Maneroo, as well as the lower, waters of the Snowy River, will prove, on being properly tested, to contain as much gold as any of the finest winter climates is to be found. (The Alps are to be located in the same quarter, at Nimblebell, from the same cause of good winter weather.)

In conclusion, I assert that the eastern extremity of the Australian Alps, out of which most of the Snowy River runs, will be one of the greatest gold-fields yet discovered.

Yours faithfully,
J. C.

ARMADALE ANNUAL RACES.
First Day, February 21.
Three races were held on Wednesday, the first attendance of spectators, considering the threatening appearance of the weather, shortly after the first of the afternoon. The races were held on the half-mile track for the following:

First Race.—The Maiden Plate of £25, for horses that had never won an advertised race, weight 12.5, one mile, one mile and a half.
Second Race.—The Ladies' Purse of £15, for all horses, one mile and a half.
Third Race.—The Maiden Plate of £25, for horses that had never won an advertised race, weight 12.5, one mile, one mile and a half.
Fourth Race.—The Maiden Plate of £25, for horses that had never won an advertised race, weight 12.5, one mile, one mile and a half.

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MERCANTILE AND MONEY MARKET.

Thursday Evening.
The amount of Customs duties paid to-day is as follows:—

Brandy	£290 9 3
Wine	100 10 0
Tea	676 4 0
Coffee	17 10 0
Sugar	11 10 0
Spices	11 10 0
Other	11 10 0
Total	£1196 17 4

Messrs. Mort and Co. held to-day their weekly produce sale. The number of bales of wool catalogued was 535, and of this quantity 348 were sold. The wool market is pretty firm, and although there has been no recovery from the decline that took place on the arrival of the English mail, still the prices then established have been fully maintained, and, in some instances, a slight improvement has been obtained. Some holders, however, still anticipate higher rates, and have fixed reserves on their wool, which, in the present state of the market, it is impossible to realise.

The principal lots sold to-day were as follows:—23 bales fleece, at 22½d.; 17 bales, B over Battie, at 22½d.; 22½d.; 91 bales, Rosebrook, at 19½d.; 16 bales, J.J., at 19½d.; 27 bales, J.L., at 19½d.; 9 bales, S.S., at 21½d.; 19 bales, C.L., at 19½d. No greasy wool was sold to-day. The following were the prices obtained for the several lots sold:—fleece, at 18d. to 22½d.; handwashed, at 21½d.; mixed, at 5d. to 18½d.; locks, at 7d. to 18½d.

SHEEPSKINS.—The market was better supplied than usual, and prices ruled perhaps a shade easier. Washed skins, however, maintained full rates. About 7500 sheepskins were sold at from 5½d. to 9½d. per lb. Washed skins at 10d. to 11d. per lb. Pelts at 3½d. per lb.

TALLOW.—The market is firmer, and, as there was a greater desire evinced on the part of the trade to supply themselves, ruled higher. 36 casks of tallow were sold at the following rates: Beef and mixed, £44 to £46 15s. per ton. Mutton, £55 10s. per ton.

HIDES.—The quantity offered to-day was small, and as most of the lots were light or of inferior quality, the prices obtained cannot be taken as a fair test of the market value of heavy well cured hides. About 173 hides were sold at from 5s. 3d. to 12s. 6d. each. Skins, 2s. each. A lot of horns brought 22s. 6d. per hundred.

By the Wonga Wonga we have Melbourne papers to the 27th of February. The quantity of gold-dust received by escort during the week was 35,637 ounces. From the *Argus* we take the following:—
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